

Bear - Additional Requirements for Captive Wild Animal Farm License

Notice: Pursuant to s. 169.15(5), Wis. Stats., this form is required to be submitted along with form 9400-577, Captive Wild Animal Farm License Application, when applying for a license to have bear on a captive wild animal farm. The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has additional standards, limitations, and requirements for captive wild animal farm licenses and for captive wild animal farms, including fencing of the farms. Personal information collected may be used for participation in surveys, eligibility for approvals, law enforcement and other secondary purposes and may be provided to requesters to the extent required by Wisconsin's Open Records laws (ss. 19.31-19.39, Wis. Stats.)



All sections must be completed.

Applicant Name (as entered on form 9400-577, Captive Wild Animal Farm License Application)	Date of Application
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1. Fencing Requirement In most cases an outdoor housing facility for harmful wild animals shall be enclosed by a secondary perimeter fence that is at least 8 feet high and at least 3 feet from the primary enclosure and which restricts unauthorized public from entering the area where the primary enclosure is located. Variations or exceptions require special written approval from the DNR.	Height of Perimeter Fence Surrounding Enclosure Feet
	Distance from Perimeter Fence to Primary Enclosure Feet

2. Written Assurance Requirement
 Initial Application - Initial captive wild animal farm applications **must** be accompanied by written assurance that the application is in compliance with local ordinances and zoning regulations on possession of captive wild animals.

Is the written assurance enclosed?
 Yes No Attach assurance to this application.

3. Environment Enhancement Plan Requirement
 Holders of bear, cougar, bobcat and/or lynx shall develop, document and follow an appropriate plan for environment enhancement adequate to promote the psychological well being of these captive wild animals. The plan shall be in accordance with the currently accepted professional standards as cited in appropriate professional journals or reference guides, and as directed by the attending veterinarian. The plan shall be made available to DNR staff upon request.

Name of attending veterinarian	Has veterinarian reviewed the Plan? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
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4. Confinement Area
 Bear pens shall be a minimum of 400 square feet. No more than 2 bear may be held in a 400 square foot pen. At least 200 additional square feet is required for each additional bear. The pen height shall be a minimum of 8 feet. A tank or pool with a minimum of 150 gallons of water shall be provided when bear are not in hibernation. The space for the tank or pool of water shall be in addition to the required minimum square footage. Bear pens with open tops shall be a minimum of 1000 square feet. The walls of open top pens shall be a minimum of 8 feet in height with an additional 3 feet at the top slanted inward at a 30 to 45 degree angle.

Bear will be confined in a pen with: <input type="radio"/> Closed Top <input type="radio"/> Open Top	Size of Primary Enclosure (Pen or Cage) Sq. Feet	Size of Pool or Tank Gallons	Height of Primary Enclosure (Pen or Cage) Feet
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5. Exhibition Facilities that Exhibit: Harmful wild animals may only be exhibited at the location authorized on the license. Exhibition of a harmful wild animal at an alternate location requires special written approval from the DNR. Pens must be surrounded on all sides where the public may approach them by substantial guard rails not less than 3 feet in height. Guard rails must be well supported, fully enclosed with not greater than 6 inch square fencing, and shall be at least 3 feet from the pens.	6. Diagram Draw Primary Enclosure, include dimensions in feet. Attach description of structure, additional diagram, or plat photo if needed.	
Do you exhibit? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	Height of Guard Rails Feet	Distance Guard Rail to Enclosure Feet

Leave Blank – DNR Use Only			
This license is subject to all conditions listed above and the following special restrictions:			
Approved? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	If not approved indicate reason.		
Enclosure Inspected By	DNR Conservation Warden Name (Print)	Signature	Date